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aqueous medium with thickened properties. Preferred thickeners for use with the present invention result in a product that is sprayable and foamable. Desirably, the sprayable product has a Brookfield viscosity ranging from about 30 to about 300 cps, more desirably, from about 30 to about 100 cps, and even more desirably, from about 50 to about 70 cps. Organic polymeric thickeners and inorganic colloid forming clay materials are examples of those thickeners which may be used. The thickeners should be stable in high alkalinity.

Please replace the paragraph on page 12, line 21 to page 13, line 2 with the following replacement paragraph:

In order to provide an alkaline pH, the composition comprises an alkalinity source. The alkalinity source may be used up to levels that would be below extremely irritating to the eyes. Generally, the alkalinity source raises the pH of the composition to at least about 10, generally to a range from about 10 to 14, preferably from about 11 to 14, and most preferably from about 12 to 13.5.

Please replace the paragraph on page 15, line 19 to page 16, line 3 with the following replacement paragraph:

The thickened non-corrosive, low-fuming composition of the invention may be prepared by any means known to those of ordinary skill in the art. Generally, water and, if used, the optional thickener are added to a mixing vessel and mixed for a period of time sufficient to provide a homogenous mixture, about 2.5 to 3 hours. These constituents may be added slowly by screening to ensure complete dissolution. Once homogenous, a detergent builder is added to the system with continued mixing up to about 3 hours. Appropriate testing may be done to ensure the necessary presence of all constituents, for example, tripolyphosphate and thickener.

Please replace the paragraph on page 16, lines 4-11 with the following replacement paragraph: